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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6824

BILL NUMBER: HB 1368

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 27, 2006

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Local Regulation of Fireworks and Other Items.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Stevenson

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that a county or municipality may limit or prohibit the possession or use of consumer fireworks or certain other items by ordinance, and provides for enforcement of a violation. The bill makes a conforming amendment.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Counties or municipalities that limit or prohibit the possession or use of fireworks by ordinance could experience a decrease in expenditures for public safety and emergency medical services. The bill requires the county or municipality to enforce the ordinance.

The Indiana State Department of Health tracked fireworks injuries during 2003 and 2004. During that time, 454 injuries were reported statewide. The proposal could also reduce expenditures associated with local inspections and re-inspections of vendors and displays.

Enforcement and inspection expenses would be minimal.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Fire Marshal's Office.

Local Agencies Affected: Counties and municipalities.

Information Sources: State Department of Health.

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